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1. COMPLETED PROJECTS

(January 30, 1950 - February 13, 1950)

NSC 9 THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO SUPPORT
Series FOR WESTERN UNION AND OTHER RELATED FREE COUNTRIES
 (See Progress Report by the Deputy Under Secretary of
 State, circulated February 8, 1950)

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2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

CHEMICAL WARFARE POLICY
(NSC 62)

Memorandum by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, concurred in by the Secretary of Defense and submitted at his request for consideration by the Council. Scheduled as Item 1 on the agenda for the 53rd NSC meeting, February 16, 1950.

POLICY IN THE EVENT OF A BLOCKADE OF VIENNA
(NSC 63)

Memorandum by the Joint Chiefs of Staff concurred in by the Department of Defense and submitted at the Department's request for consideration by the Council. Scheduled as Item 2 on the agenda for the 53rd NSC meeting, February 16, 1950. 50X1

APPRAISAL OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS, FACILITIES AND ARRANGEMENTS RELATED TO THE NATIONAL SECURITY
(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated February 7, 1950)

Proposal by the Acting Chairman, National Security Resources Board, submitted for consideration and memorandum action by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Attorney General. Approved by the Attorney General, February 10. Awaiting action by Council members and the Secretary of the Treasury.

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UNDER CONSIDERATION BY NSC (Cont'd)

THE FOREIGN INFORMATION PROGRAM AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE PLANNING
(NSC 59; NSC 43/1 and related papers; NSC 4)

Report by the Under Secretary of State (NSC 59) prepared by the organization established within the Department of State to carry out the provisions of NSC 4 and NSC 43 and concurred in by the NSC Consultants, submitted for Council consideration. This report supersedes NSC 43/1, a previous report by the Secretary of State, which had been under consideration by the Council for memorandum action since August 2, 1949. After further study by State and Defense, to be scheduled as an item on the agenda for an early NSC meeting.

THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR INTELLIGENCE

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated December 28, 1949; NSC Actions Nos. 231 and 237; NSC 50)

Final progress report by the Director of Central Intelligence, of those called for by NSC 50 and NSC Actions Nos. 231 and 237, circulated by the reference memorandum for Council information.

MEASURES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE U. S. OBJECTIVES WITH RESPECT TO THE USSR

(Ref. NSC 20/4; NSC 35; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 25 and June 21, 1949; Memo for Consultants from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated March 30, 1949)

On the basis of the statement of U. S. risks and objectives with respect to the USSR (NSC 20/4) as adopted by the Council and approved by the President, the Staff drafted specific measures required to achieve those objectives, pursuant to NSC Action No. 88-b. In this connection, the Staff considered the views of the JCS on military commitments, which were circulated as NSC 35 for Council information and Staff use. Staff draft report presented to Consultants January 11, 1949. Referred back to Staff for revisions in the light of the discussion at the Consultants' meeting on January 17, 1949. Staff request that JCS views on "military readiness" be obtained for use in completing final draft of report was transmitted to the Secretary of Defense, January 19, 1949. JCS views incorporated by the NSC Staff in a draft report submitted to the Consultants by memo dated March 30. Concurred in by Navy and NSRB, April 1; by Air Force, April 5; by Army, April 12. State recommendations regarding this project submitted by memo dated May 25 to

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MEASURES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE U. S. OBJECTIVES WITH RESPECT TO THE USSR

(Ref. NSC 20/4; NSC 35; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 25 and June 21, 1949; Memo for Consultants from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated March 30, 1949)

Council. Defense proposal with respect to State recommendations submitted to the Council for consideration by memo dated June 21. To be scheduled for consideration at a forthcoming Council meeting. (See also "Assessment and Appraisal of U. S. Objectives, Commitments and Risks in Relation to Military Power", Section 4)

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3. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC CONSULTANTS

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4. PROJECTS IN PREPARATION BY NSC STAFF

APPRAISAL OF U. S. NATIONAL INTERESTS IN SOUTH ASIA

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 2, 1949, ref. SANACC 360/14; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 17, 1949; NSC Action No. 224; ref. NSC 48/2)

Report by SANACC (360/14) on above subject, and amendments proposed by Secretary of Defense, referred by the Council at its 42nd Meeting to NSC Staff for use in preparation of study pursuant to NSC 48, "U. S. Policy Toward Asia", and for reexamination in light of that study (NSC 48/2) and the discussion at the meeting. Awaiting initial State draft.

U. S. POLICY CONCERNING MILITARY COLLABORATION UNDER THE INTER-AMERICAN TREATY OF RECIPROCAL ASSISTANCE
(NSC 56)

Report by the Secretary of Defense, including a draft NSC report on the subject and an interim directive to the Chairman of the U. S. Delegation, Inter-American Defense Board, circulated to the Council for information and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. Draft report dated February 10, 1950, under consideration by Staff. Awaiting Staff report.

ANALYSIS OF POSSIBLE U. S. ASSUMPTION OF BRITISH MILITARY COMMITMENTS

Upon the informal suggestion of the Department of State, the NSC Staff initiated, on September 22, 1949, an analysis to show which British military commitments we might have to take over if the British gave them up and the possible cost to us. Initial draft being prepared by Defense. CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 235 on "Britain's Overseas Military Commitments", furnished to Staff October 13, 1949, and ORE 93-49, on November 21, 1949, for consideration in connection with the subject. Awaiting Staff study.

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IN PREPARATION BY NSC STAFF (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES POLICY REGARDING TRADE WITH CHINA
(NSC 41/1)

A report by the Secretary of State, circulated to the Council for information, has been referred at the suggestion of the Secretary of State to the NSC Staff for preparation, as a matter of urgent priority, of a report for consideration by the Council. Also at the suggestion of the Secretary of State, the views of the Department of Commerce are being obtained in connection with the Staff study, and the Secretary of Commerce will be invited to participate in any Council consideration of the report. Suggested State revisions received December 2, and Defense draft received December 13. CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 253 on "The Effectiveness of Control of Exports to Communist China", dated December 12, 1949, furnished to Staff for consideration in connection with the subject. State reviewing previous drafts in the light of approved policy in NSC 48/2. Awaiting results of State review.

PROVISION OF ARMED FORCES FOR THE UNITED NATIONS

Draft report on the subject transmitted by the Deputy Under Secretary of State for use by the NSC Staff in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. State preparing initial draft. Awaiting initial State draft.

ASSESSMENT AND APPRAISAL OF U. S. OBJECTIVES, COMMITMENTS, AND RISKS IN RELATION TO MILITARY POWER

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated December 20, 1949; NSC Action No. 270)

At its 51st Meeting, the NSC directed the NSC Staff to prepare a report for Council consideration on the above subject. CIA Intelligence memo No. 268, "Estimate of Soviet Capabilities and Intentions: Economic: 1951 and 1954", dated January 25, 1950, furnished to Staff for consideration in connection with the project. Departmental studies of scope and nature of this project underway. Staff members assisting in these studies as a preliminary step. (See also "Measures Required to Achieve U. S. Objectives with Respect to the USSR", Section 2.)

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5. OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS

U. S. POLICY TOWARD GERMANY (NSC Action No. 176)

The NSC Sub-committee on Germany, established by NSC Action No. 176, met initially on January 28, 1949, pursuant to the reference action, approved a procedure for its activities, and designated representatives as a Steering Group. It was agreed that the Department of State would prepare for consideration by the Steering Group the first draft of a restatement of our policy toward Germany, and that the Steering Group should undertake concurrently the preparation of position papers on the following problems, the first four of which should have priority over the remainder:

1. Occupation Statute for Western Germany
2. Trizonal Fusion Agreement
3. German Constitution
4. Ruhr Control Plan
5. Prohibited and Restricted Industries
6. Reparations
7. Western Germany's Long-Range Economic Program
(GARIOA and ECA)
8. Western Berlin Currency Situation

The Steering Group held 15 meetings to March 30, 1949 at which the above subjects were discussed. These discussions were reflected in position papers on Germany presented to the President by the Secretary of State on March 31, 1949 preparatory to the meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the United Kingdom, France and the United States held in Washington. Subsequent to this meeting, the position papers, noted above, prepared by the Department of State, and the Agreements reached by the three Foreign Ministers on April 8, 1949, were circulated to the NSC Members by memoranda from the Executive Secretary, subject, "The Position of the U. S. with Respect to Germany", dated April 28 and 29, 1949, respectively. These were noted by the Council at its 39th Meeting on May 5 (NSC Action No. 212). Preparatory to the Sixth Meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers in Paris, May 23 to June 20, 1949, the NSC discussed the position of the U. S. with respect to Germany in the light of the paper by the Secretary of State circulated to Council Members by a memo from the Executive Secretary dated May 16, 1949 (NSC Action No. 215). "Policy Directive to U. S. High Commissioner for Germany", memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, dated November 18, 1949, noted by the Council at its 49th Meeting on December 8, 1949. (NSC Action No. 266).

Awaiting first draft from the Department of State of a report on U. S. policy toward Germany.

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MILITARY ASSISTANCE FOR EMERGENCY NEEDS

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 23, 1949, ref. NSC 18/4, paragraph 28)

Pursuant to par. 28 of NSC 18/4, approved by the President on November 18, 1949, the Secretaries of State and Defense, the Chairman of the NSRB, the Attorney General, and the Director of the Bureau of the Budget designated representatives to assist in the preparation of a study on the methods by which the United States can make available military assistance to meet emergency needs not provided for in existing legislation. At a meeting of these representatives an outline for the study was agreed upon and drafts of certain sections undertaken by State, Defense and Justice. The Director of Central Intelligence has prepared an estimate of likely contingencies where military assistance may be requested which is not provided for in existing legislation, together with an analysis of problems in connection therewith peculiar to particular foreign countries or areas. Defense initial draft circulated December 27, 1949; State initial draft, January 13, 1950; and Justice initial draft, January 25. Defense now preparing over-all draft based on the above 3 sections, for consideration by the Committee. Awaiting over-all draft.

JAPANESE PEACE TREATY

(NSC 60; NSC 48/2; NSC 44; memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Limited Military Armament for Japan", dated March 11, 1949; memo for Consultants from Executive Secretary, subject: "Planning for Limited Japanese Armed Forces", dated April 27, 1949)

Pursuant to paragraph 3-d of NSC 48/2, the question of a peace settlement with Japan will be presented for Council consideration at a later date. The current views of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on this subject circulated for Council information as NSC 60. NSC 44 and related papers, previously under consideration by the NSC Consultants, referred by agreement among Consultants for consideration in connection with this project. Awaiting results of further study by State and Defense.

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OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS (Cont'd)

U. S. ECONOMIC AID TO FAR EASTERN AREAS
(NSC 61)

Memorandum on the above subject by the Under Secretaries of State and the Army submitted for consideration by the Council, the Secretaries of the Treasury and Commerce, and the Economic Cooperation Administrator of the recommendation contained therein that a working group be designated to give urgent attention to a study looking to closer coordination of economic and military aid programs generally for Far Eastern areas. In accord with this recommendation and with the concurrence of the President, the Secretaries of State, Defense, the Treasury, and Commerce, and the Economic Cooperation Administrator were requested to designate senior representatives as a working group to prepare such a report for consideration by the Council, the Secretaries of the Treasury and Commerce and the Economic Cooperation Administrator. Senior representatives designated by Defense, Commerce and ECA. Awaiting designation of other senior representatives.

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6. DEFERRED PROJECTS

NATIONAL SECURITY OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED STATES

Study initiated by NSC Staff December 2, 1947 as a long-term project. First draft issued February 25, 1948. Further consideration subsequently deferred until after NSC action on the NSC 20 and 35 Series. Awaiting completion of a study on this subject being prepared by the Department of State as a long-term project.

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